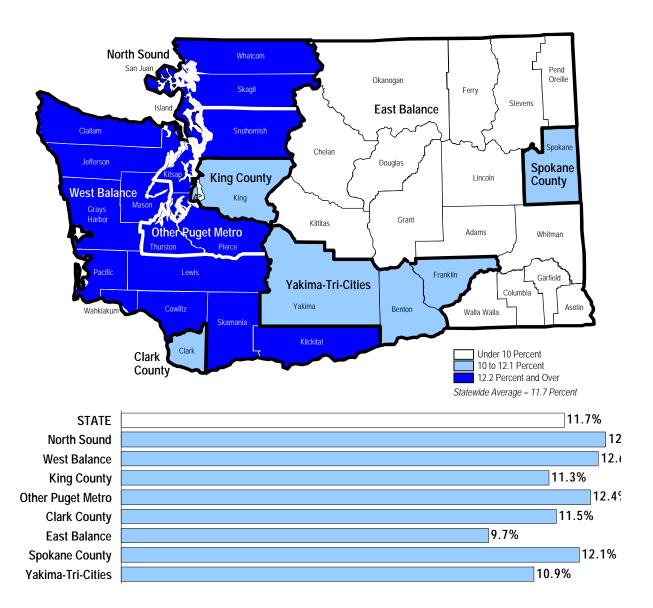
Percent of the Population Age 17 and Older Who are Separated or Divorced

WASHINGTON STATE



- Family disruption, such as separation

 and divorce, has typically been
 associated with lowered family
 income and/or child-rearing
 difficulties.
- Aside from King County, shares of the population separated and divorced tend to be higher in the western part of the state than in the east.

About the State Population Survey

The **Washington State Population Survey** was conducted in the spring of 1998 to provide social, demographic, and economic information about Washington residents that would otherwise not be available between the 1990 and 2000 federal census years.

Responses to the survey were obtained from telephone interviews of 7,279 households that represent the state population as a whole. The survey was designed by the **Office of Financial Management** and conducted by the **Washington State University Social and Economic Sciences Research Center**.

Data from the survey, as well as a background report titled, 1998 Washington State Population Survey Data Report, are available electronically at http://www.wa.gov/ofm/ under Population/Data, or by calling the Office of Financial Management at (360) 902-0599.